

Installing Oracle Database Software and Creating a Database

Overview

Purpose

This tutorial shows you how to use the Oracle Universal Installer (OUI) to install the Oracle Database 12c software and create a database. You will also learn how you can use the Database Configuration Assistant (DBCA) to create additional databases.

Time to Complete

Approximately 1 hour

Introduction

The Oracle Universal Installer (OUI) is used to install Oracle Database software. OUI is a graphical user interface utility that enables you to view the Oracle software that is installed on your machine, install new Oracle Database software, and delete Oracle software that you no longer need to use. Online Help is available to guide you through the installation process. One of the installation options is to create a database. If you select database creation, OUI automatically starts Oracle Database Configuration Assistant (DBCA) to guide you through the process of creating and configuring a database. If you do not create a database during installation, you must invoke DBCA after you have installed the software to create a database. You can also use DBCA to create additional databases.

In Oracle Database 12c Release 1 the concept of multitenant environment has been introduced. The multitenant architecture enables an Oracle database to function as a multitenant container database (CDB) that includes zero, one, or many customer-created pluggable databases (PDBs). A PDB is a portable collection of schemas, schema objects, and nonschema objects that appears to an Oracle Net client as a non-CDB. All Oracle databases before Oracle Database 12 were non-CDBs.

A CDB includes the following components:

- Root

The root, named CDB\$ROOT, stores Oracle-supplied metadata and common users. An example of metadata is the source code for Oracle-supplied PL/SQL packages. A common user is a database user known in every container. A CDB has exactly one root.

- Seed

The seed, named PDB\$SEED, is a template that you can use to create new PDBs. You cannot add objects to or modify objects in the seed. A CDB has exactly one seed.

- PDBs

A PDB appears to users and applications as if it were a non-CDB. For example, a PDB can contain the data and code required to support a specific application. A PDB is fully backward compatible with Oracle Database releases before Oracle Database 12c.

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Each of these components is called a container. Therefore, the root is a container, the seed is a container, and each PDB is a container. Each container has a unique container ID and name within a CDB.

Hardware and Software Requirements

Before installing the software, OUI performs several automated checks to ensure that your computer fulfills the basic hardware and software requirements for an Oracle Database installation. If your computer does not meet a requirement, then an error message is displayed. The requirements may vary depending upon the type of computer and operating system you are using, but include the following:

- Minimum of 1 GB of physical memory
- Sufficient paging space
- Installation of appropriate service packs and/or patches
- Use of appropriate file system format

Prerequisites

Before starting this tutorial, you should:

- Have access to the Oracle Database 12c distribution media or have downloaded the software from the Oracle web site
- Have general knowledge of product installation

Installing Oracle Database Software

There are two types of Oracle Database installations: basic (also known as typical) and advanced. Choose the typical installation to quickly install the software with minimal input. The advanced installation enables you to perform a custom installation.

Please note that the values displayed in the screenshots may vary from your installation values due to differences in disk space and memory.

Basic (Typical) Installation

Advanced Installation

For Non-Container Database

For Container Database(including Pluggable Database)

Creating an Oracle Database

If you chose to install the Oracle Database software only and did not create a database, or if you want to create additional databases, you can do so by using the Database Configuration Assistant (DBCA). DBCA offers two modes: typical and advanced. If you choose Advanced Mode, you can customize storage locations, initialization parameters, management options, database options, and different passwords for administrator user accounts.

Note: If you created a database as part of the Basic (Typical) Installation or Advanced Installation, you do not need to perform the tasks in this topic.

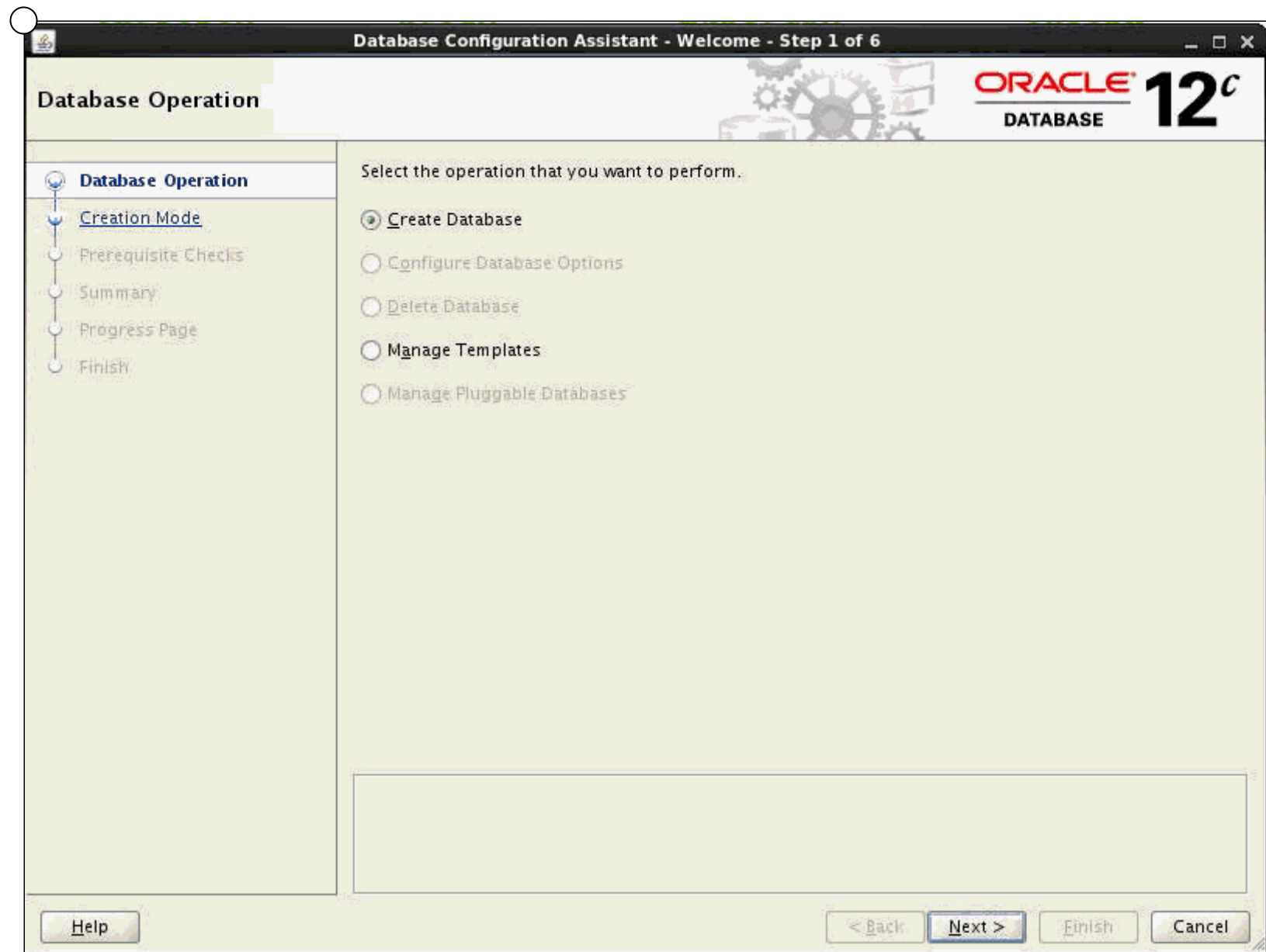
Typical Mode

Advanced Mode

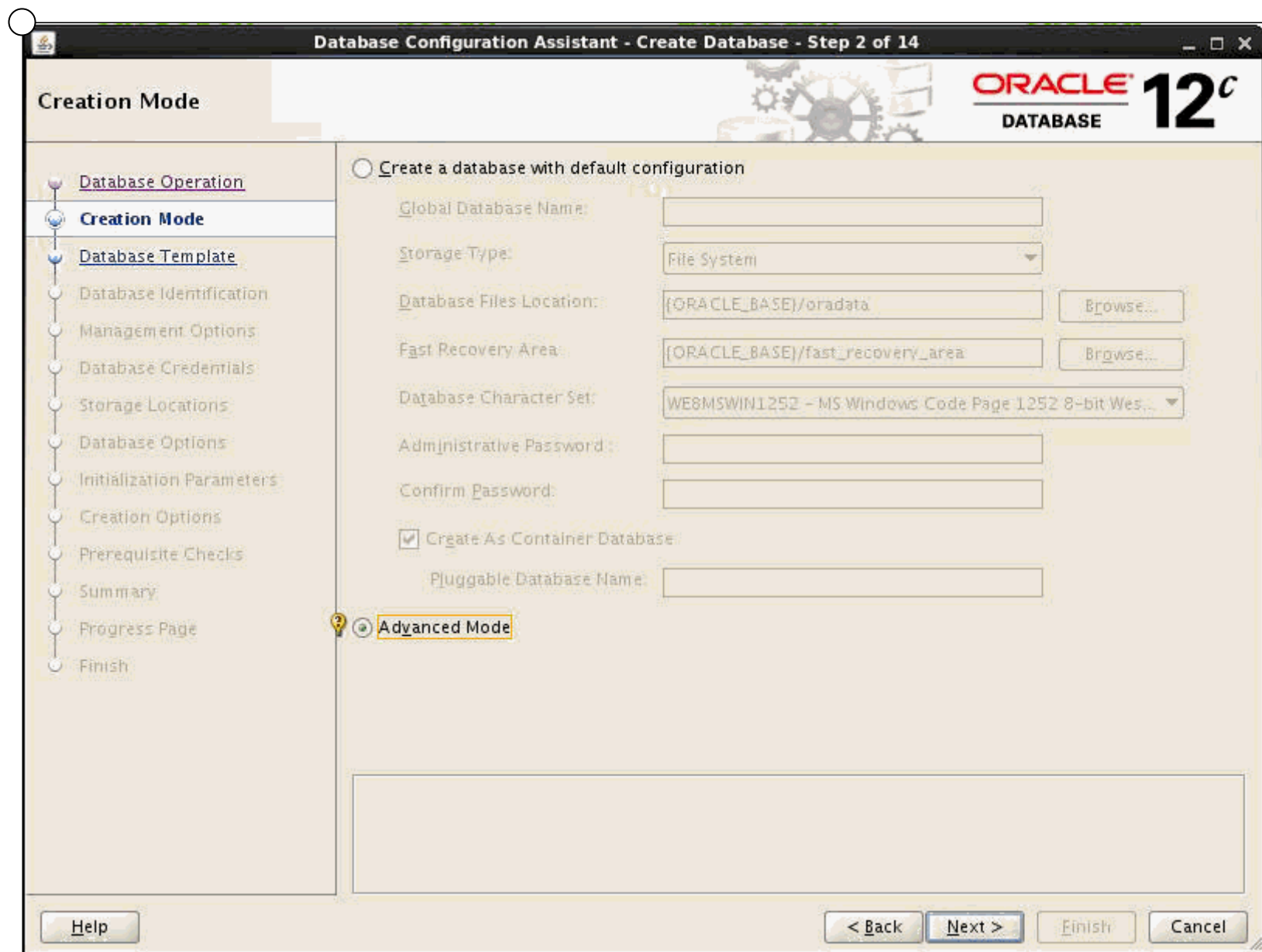
Creation of Non-Container Database

Creation of Container Database

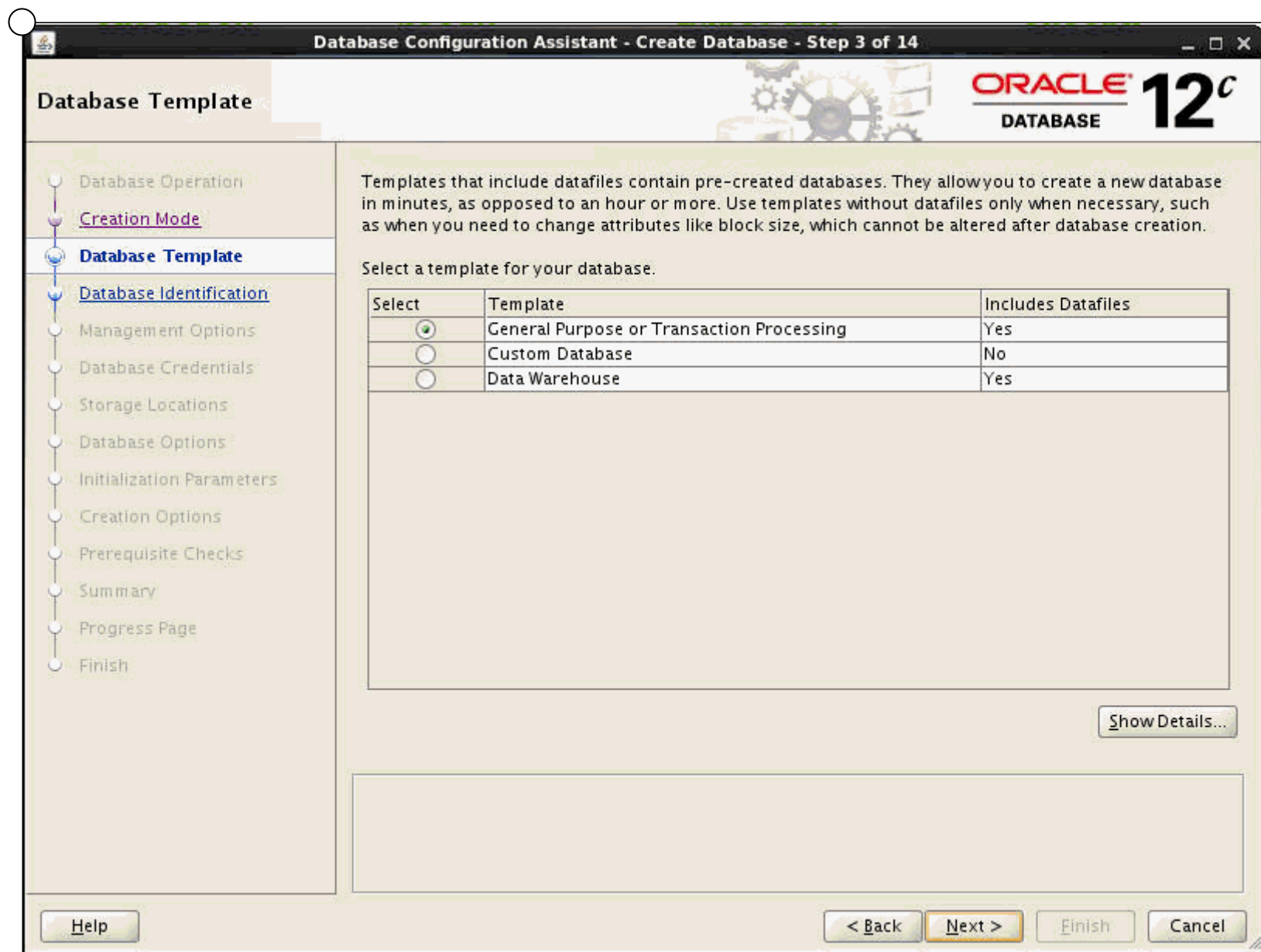
1. Log on to your computer as a member of the administrative group that is authorized to install Oracle Database software and create a database.
2. Invoke DBCA as appropriate to your operating system.
3. The Database Operation window appears. Select Create Database. Click **Next**.



4. The Creation Mode window appears. Select **Advanced Mode**. Click **Next**.



5. The Database Template window appears. Select "General Purpose or Transaction Processing." Click **Next**.



6. The Database Identification window appears. Enter a value in the Global Database Name field. Check Create As Container Database check box and provide a Pluggable database name such as pdborcl. Click **Next**.

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Database Identification

Provide the identifier information required to access the database uniquely. An Oracle database is uniquely identified by a Global database name, typically of the form "name.domain". Additionally, a database is referenced by at least one Oracle instance which is uniquely identified from any other instance on this system by an Oracle system identifier (SID).

Global Database Name: orcl.example.com

SID: orcl

☒ Create As Container Database

Creates a database container for consolidating multiple databases into a single database and enables database virtualization. A container database (CDB) can have zero or more pluggable databases (PDB).

☐ Create an Empty Container Database

☒ Create a Container Database with one or more PDBs

Number of PDBs: 1

PDB Name: pdborcl

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Note: The Create as Container Database option is enabled to create the database as a CDB that can support zero, one, or many user-created PDBs. If you want DBCA to create a PDB when it creates the CDB, specify the PDB name in the Pluggable database name field.

7. The Management Options window appears. Accept the defaults and click **Next**.

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Management Options

Specify the management options for the database.

☒ **Configure Enterprise Manager (EM) Database Express**

EM Database Express Port: 5500

☐ **Register with Enterprise Manager (EM) Cloud Control**

OMS Host:

OMS Port:

EM Admin Username:

EM Admin Password:

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Note: EM Express Port number can be modified as per the requirement.

8. The Database Credentials window appears. Select "Use the Same Administrative Password for All Accounts." Enter your password in the Password and Confirm Password fields. Click **Next**.

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ORACLE 12^c DATABASE

Database Credentials

For security reasons, you must specify passwords for the following user accounts in the new database.

☐ Use Different Administrative Passwords

User Name	Password	Confirm Password
SYS		
SYSTEM		
PDBADMIN		

☒ Use the Same Administrative Password for All Accounts

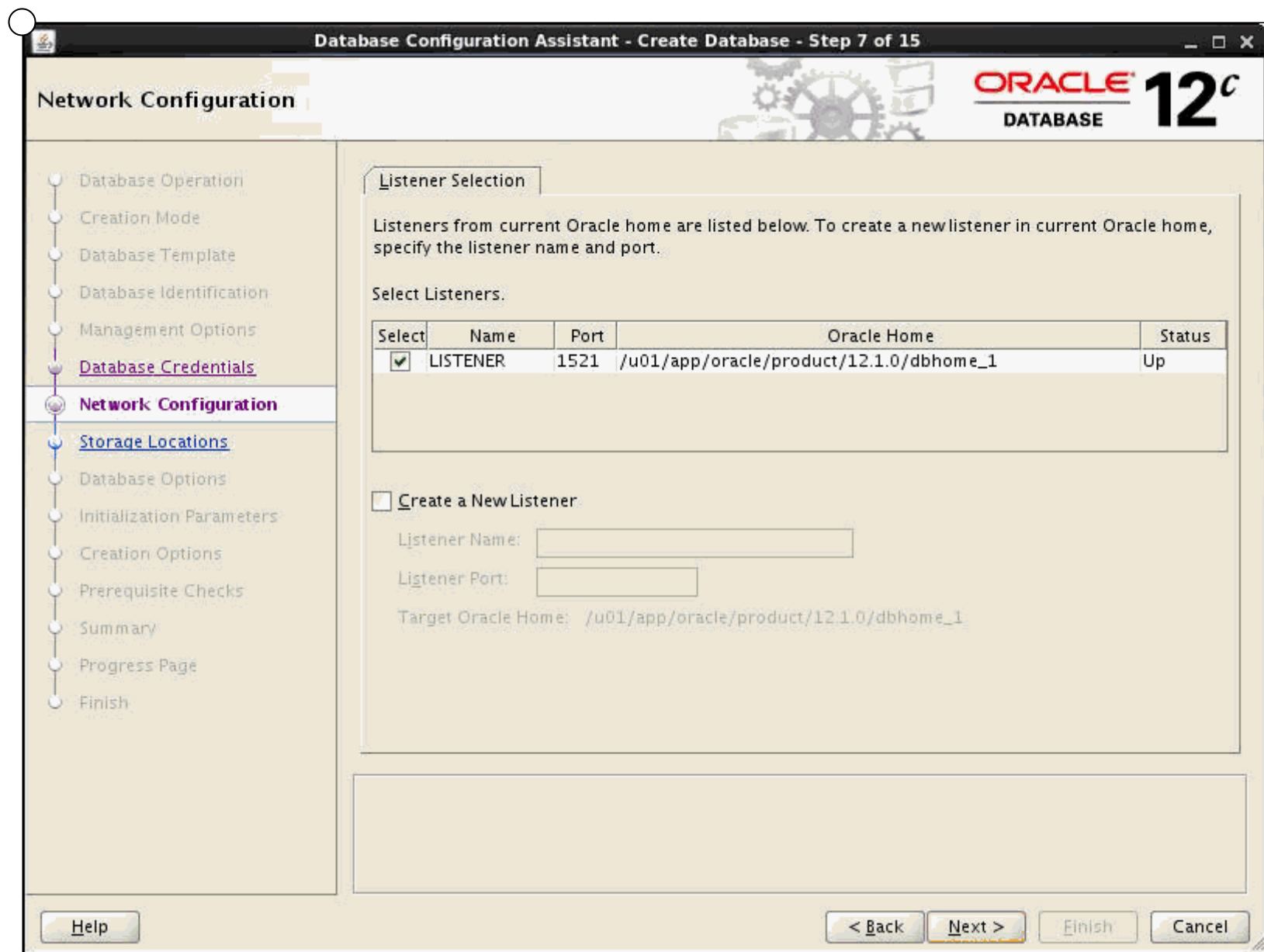
Password:

Confirm Password:

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Help

9. The Network Configuration window appears. This page is displayed only if there are any listeners in the current home. Click **Next**.



10. The Storage Locations window appears. In the Database Files region, select File System in the Storage Type menu. Select "Use Database File Locations from Template." In the Recovery Related Files regions, select File System in the Storage Type menu. Accept the default value for the Fast Recovery Area. Click **Next**.

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ORACLE 12^c DATABASE

Storage Locations

Database files Storage Type: File System

☒ Use Database File Locations from Template

☐ Use Common Location for All Database Files

File Location: Browse...

☐ Use Oracle-Managed Files Multiplex Redo Logs and Control Files...

Choose the recovery options for the database.

Recovery files Storage Type: File System

☒ Specify Fast Recovery Area

Fast Recovery Area: {ORACLE_BASE}/fast_recovery_area Browse...

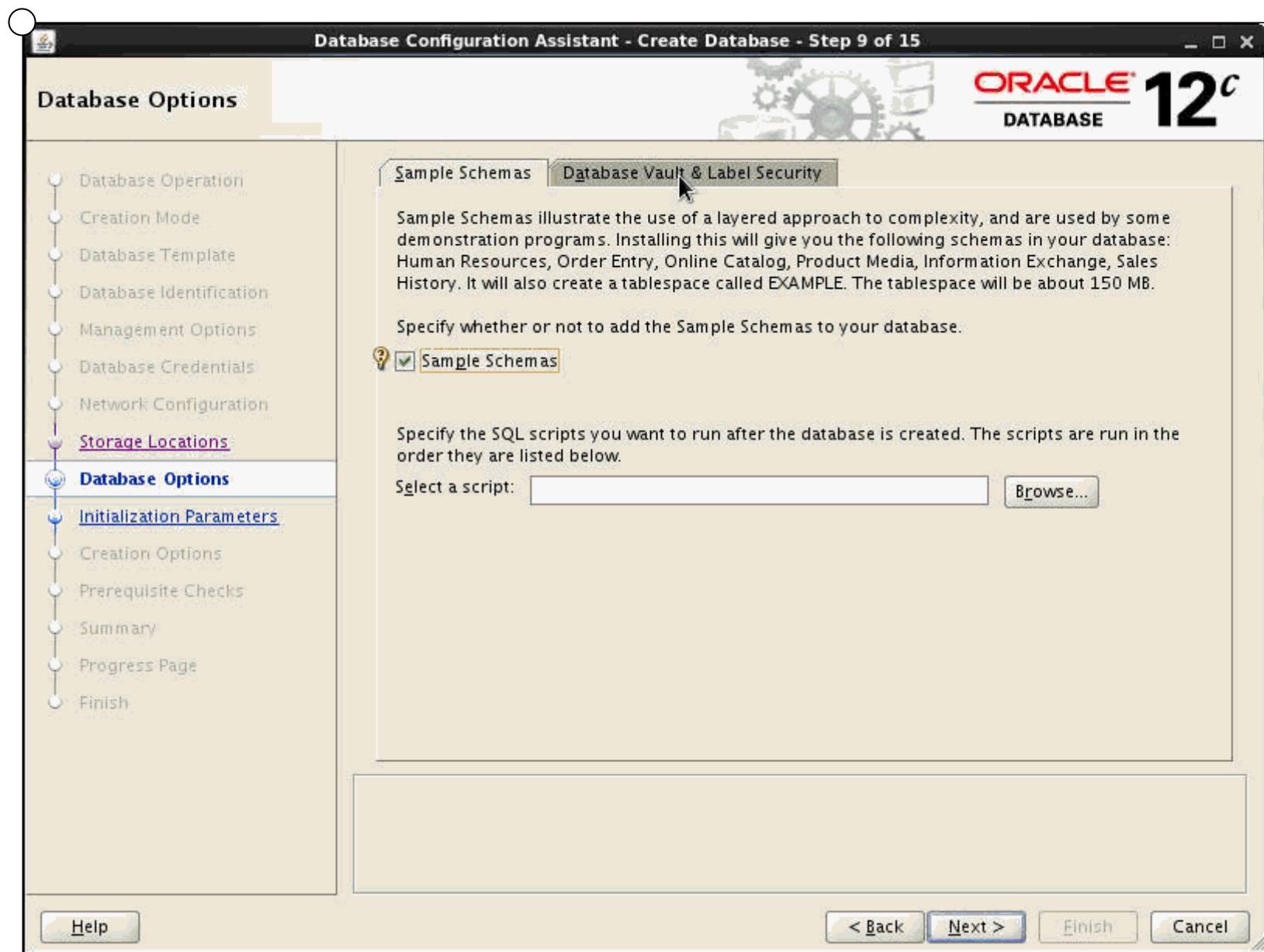
Fast Recovery Area Size: 4560 MB

☐ Enable Archiving Edit Archive Mode Parameters

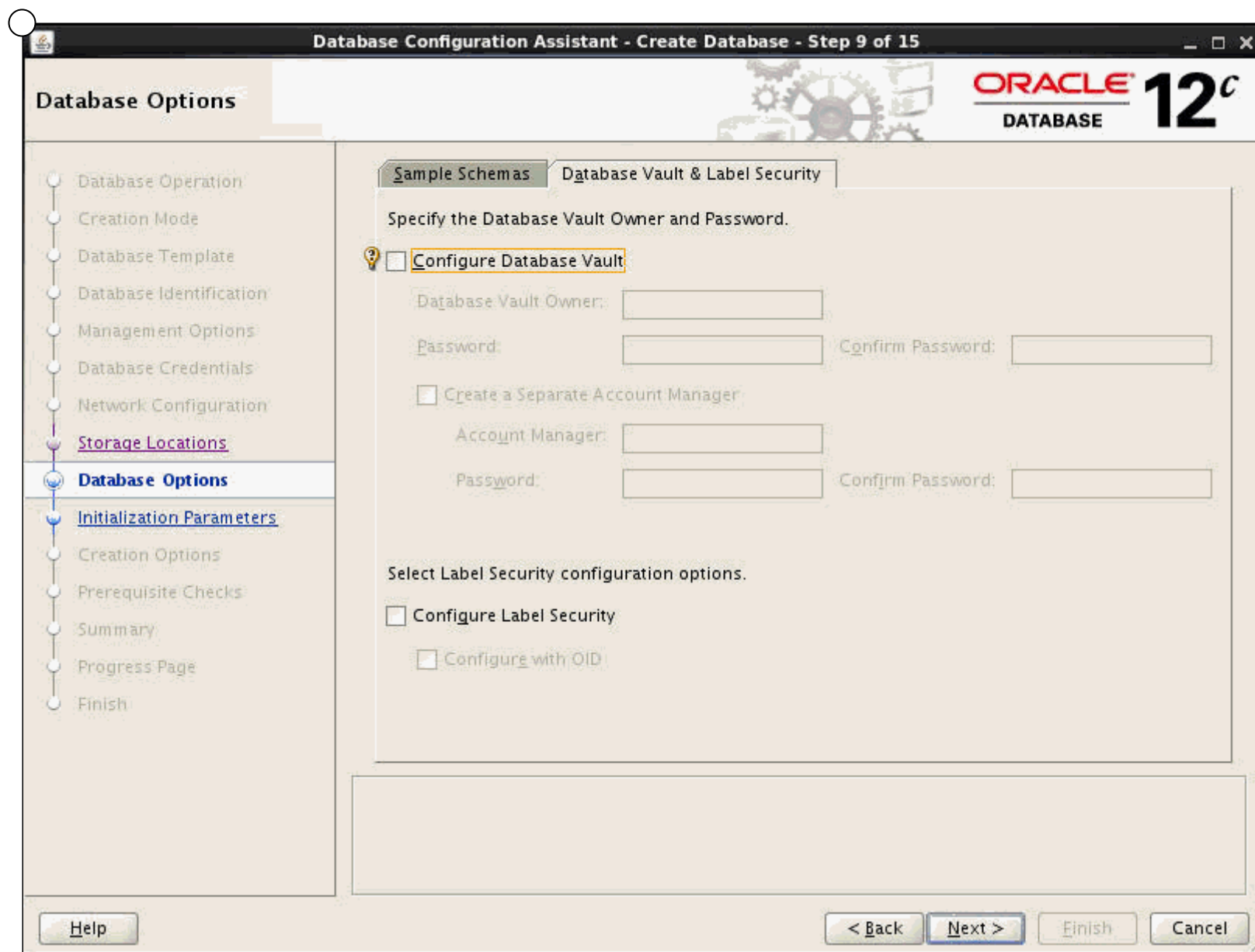
File Location Variables...

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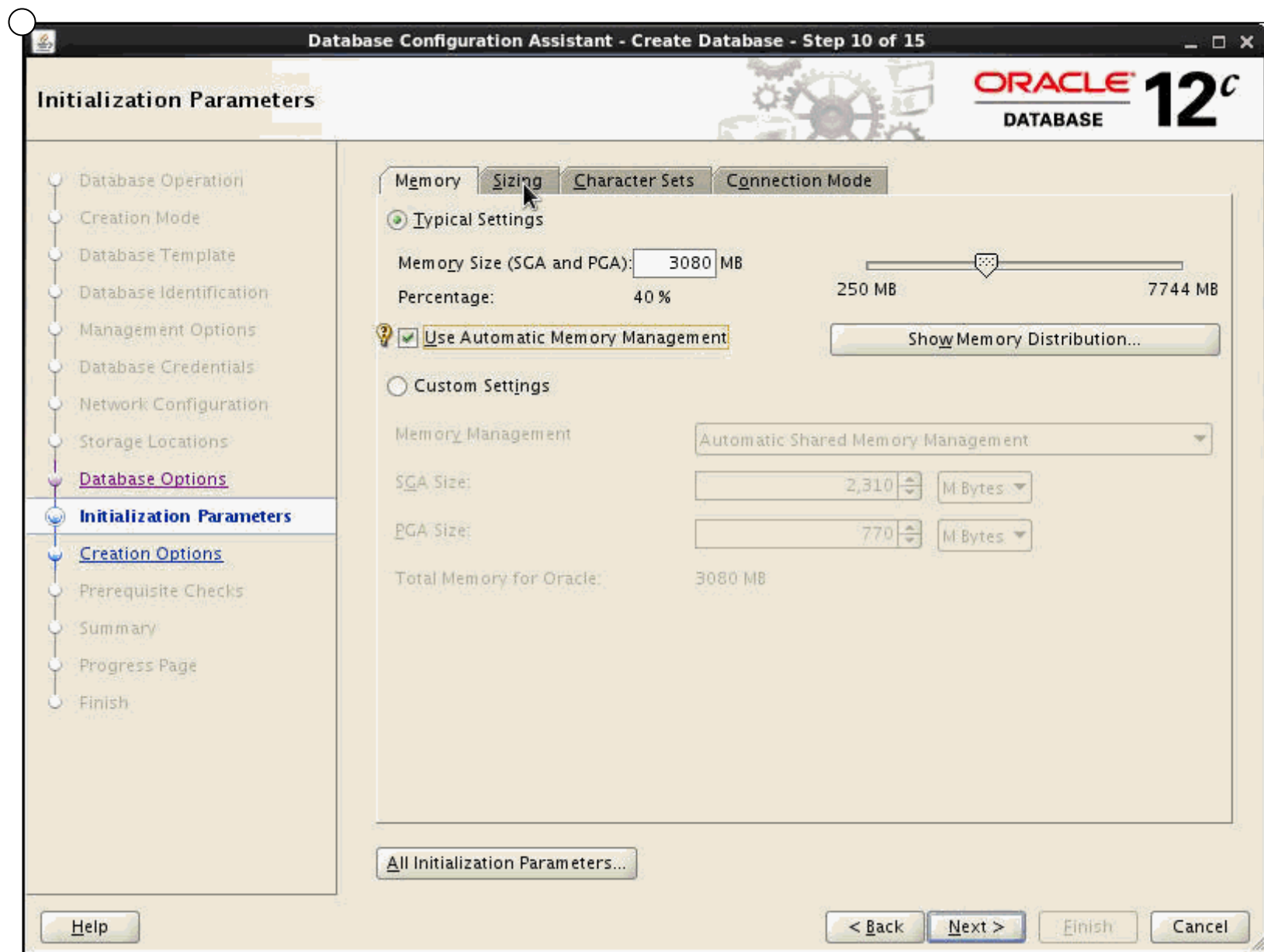
11. The Database Options window appears. On the Sample Schemas tab, select **Sample Schemas**. Click the "Database Vault & Label Security" tab.



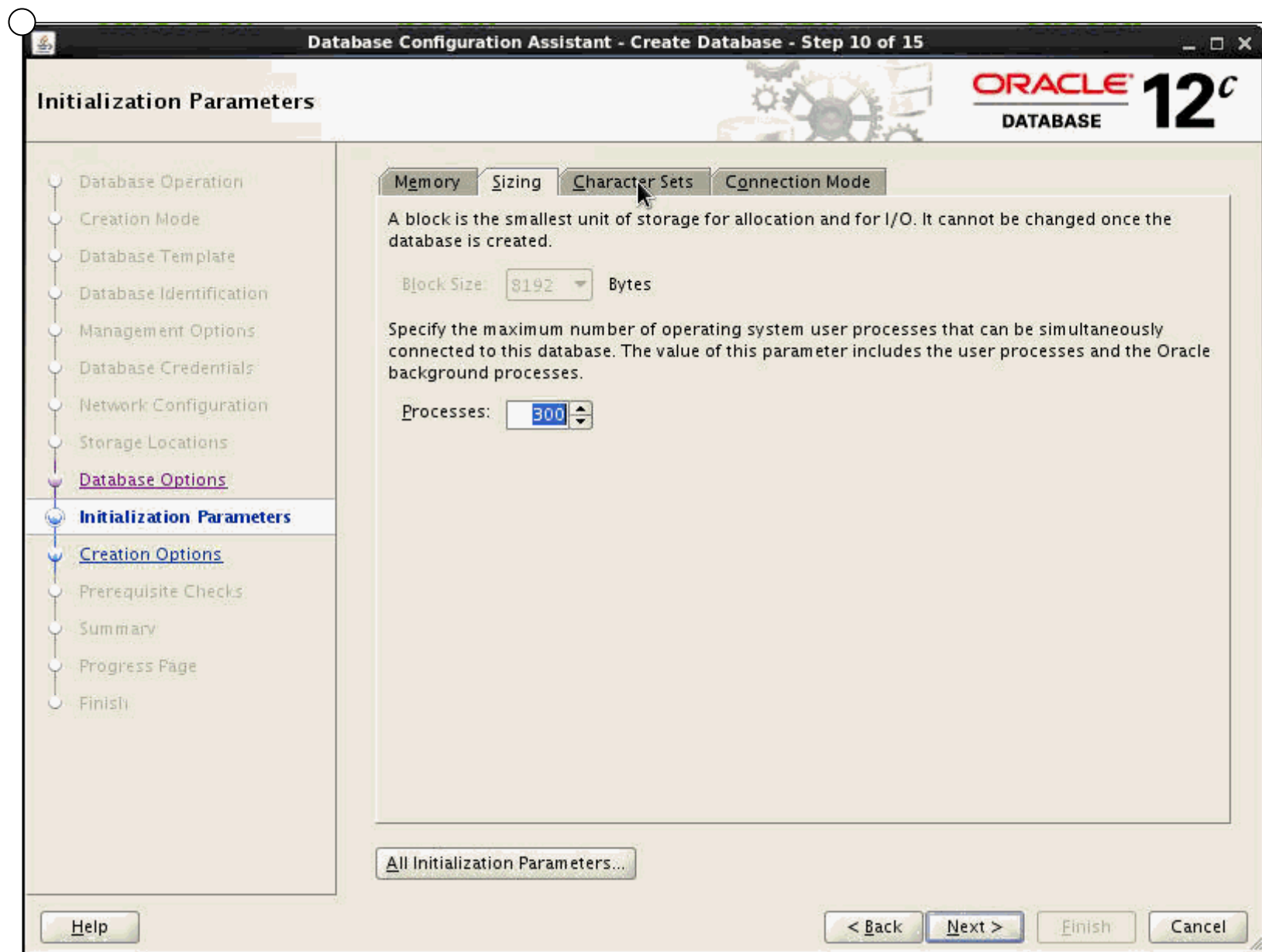
12. View the selections on the "Database Vault & Label Security" tab. Select Configure Database Vault and/or Configure Label Security if appropriate for your installation. Click **Next**.



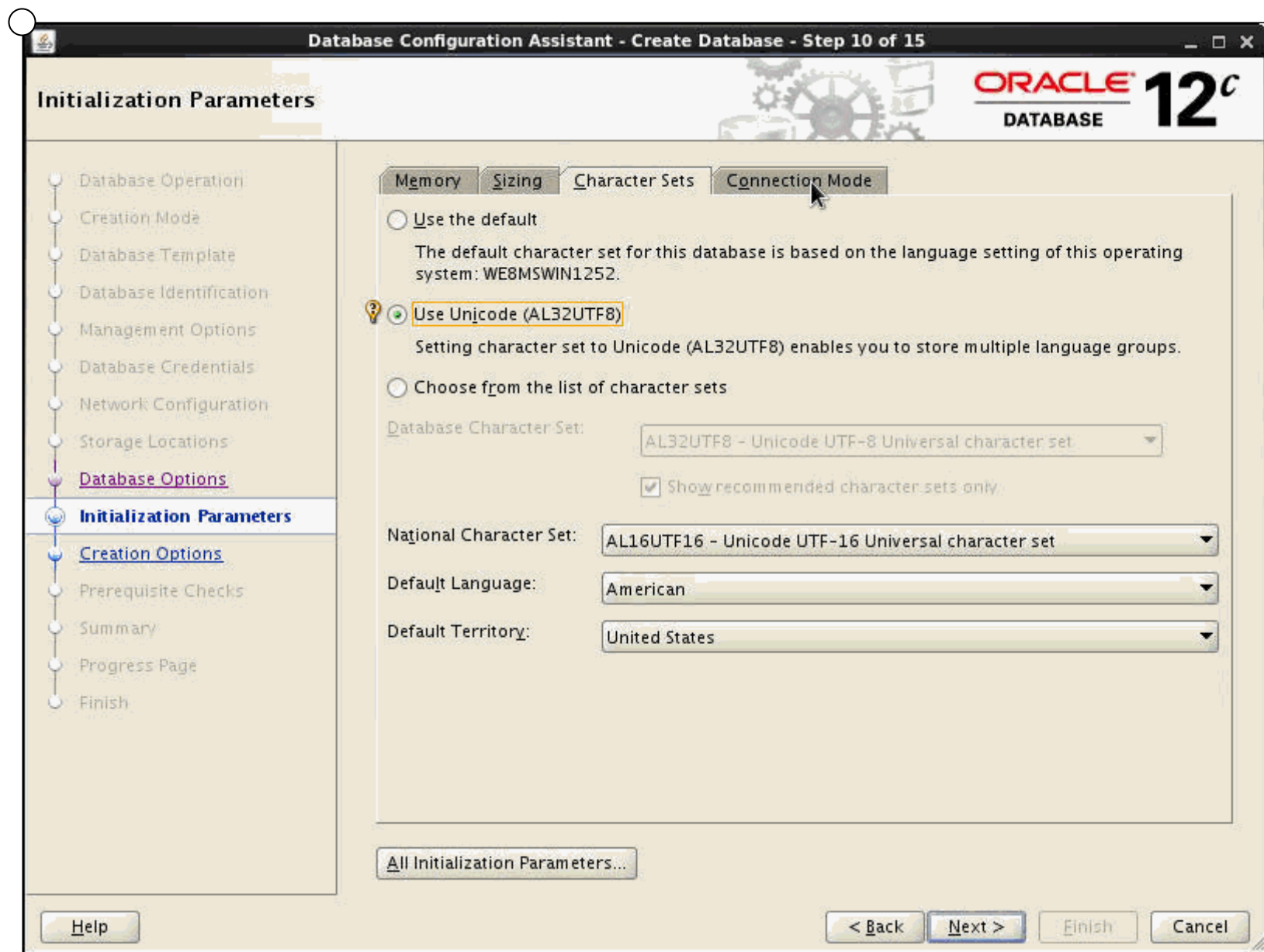
13. The Initialization Parameters window appears. Accept the default value of Memory Size(SGA and PGA) and select Use Automatic Memory Management under Typical Settings option. Modify the value in Memory Size if necessary for your installation . Click the **Sizing** tab.



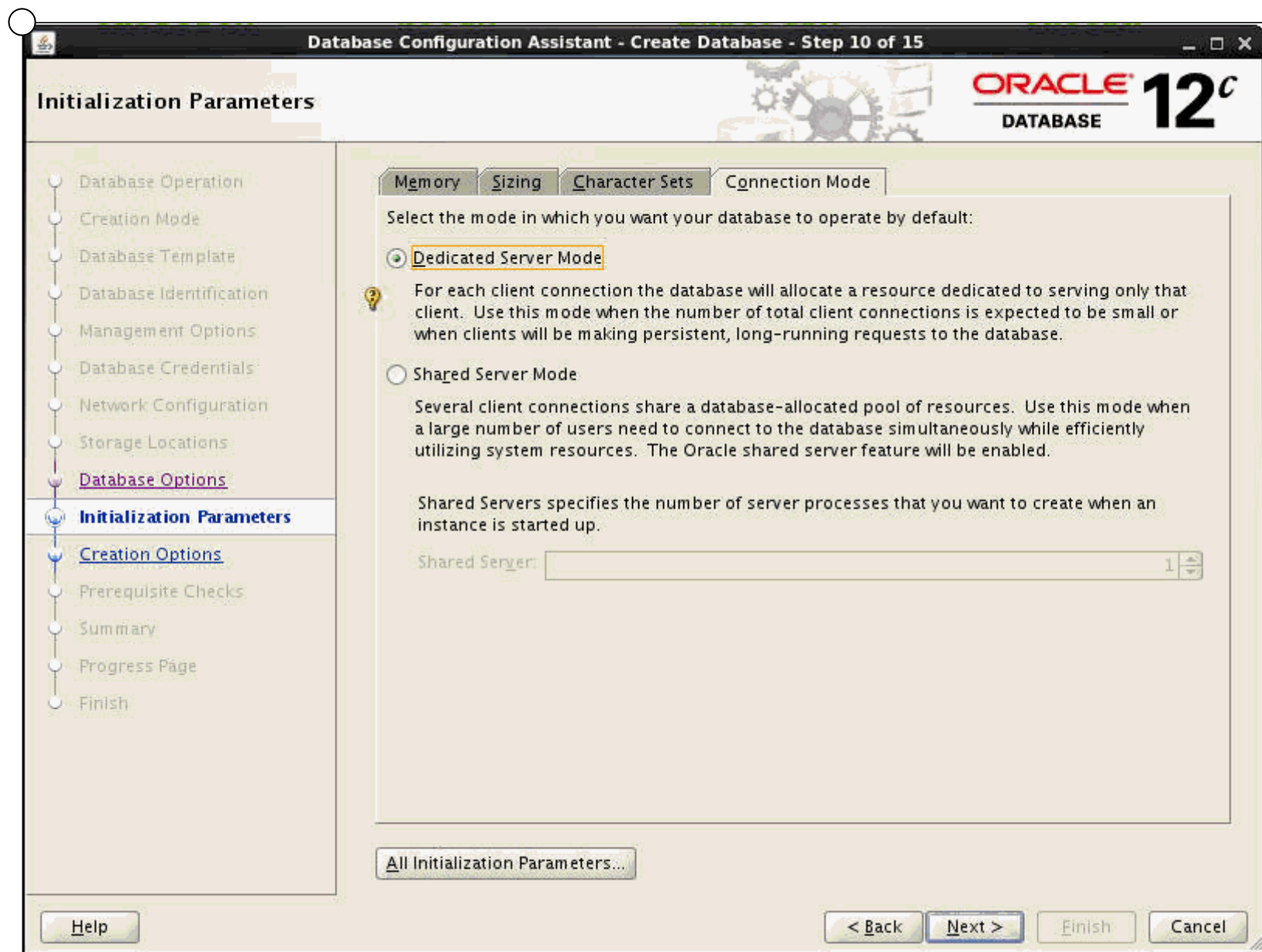
14. On the Sizing tab accept the default value in the Processes field or change it as appropriate for your installation. Click the **Character Sets** tab.



15. On the Character Sets tab select "Use Unicode (AL32UTF8)" or change it as appropriate for your installation. Click the **Connection Mode** tab.



16. On the Connection Mode tab accept the default of **Dedicated Server Mode**. Click **Next**.



17. The Creation Options window appears. Review the details and click **Next**.

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Creation Options

Select the database creation options.

☒ **Create Database**

☐ **Save as a Database Template**

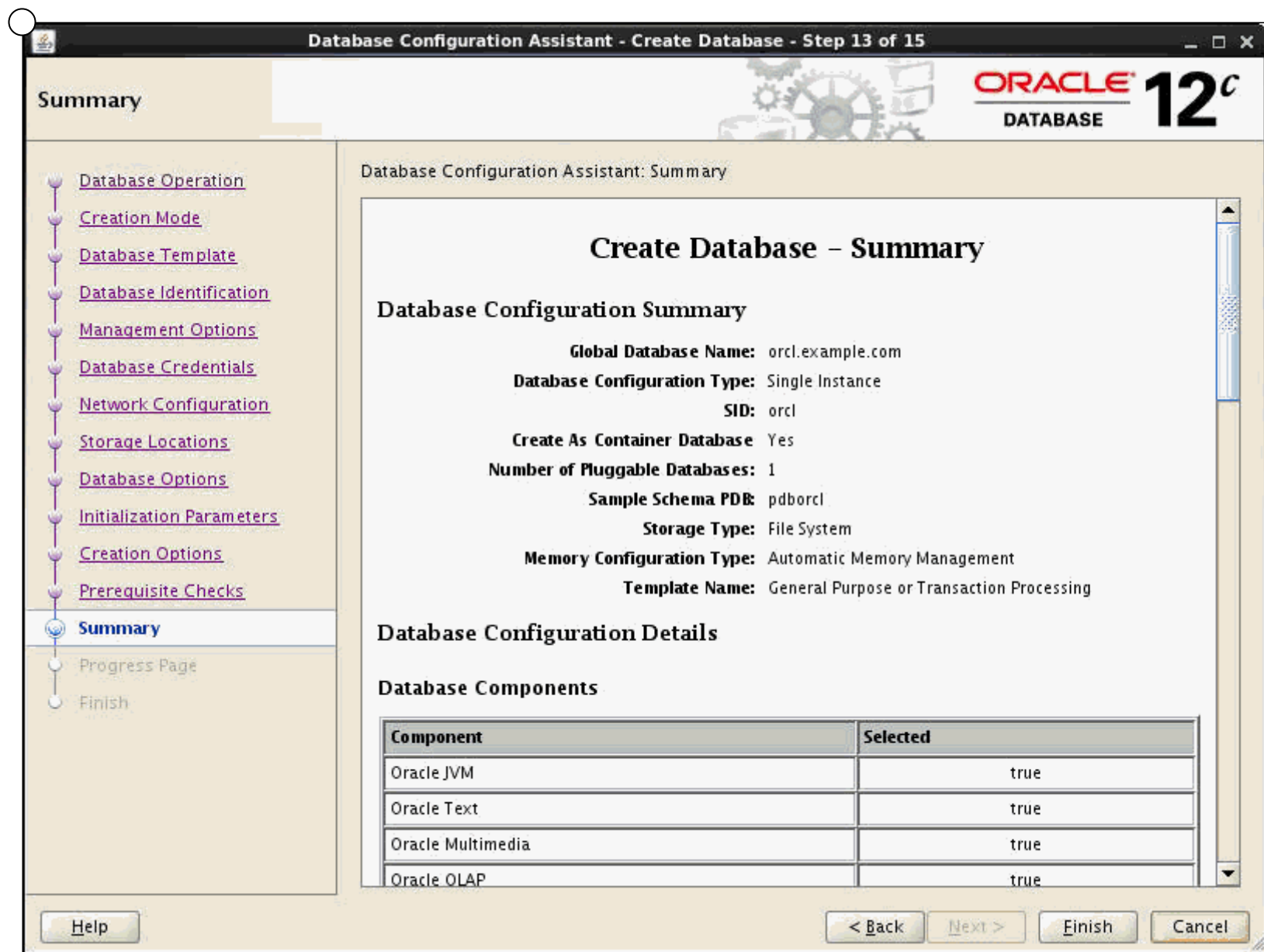
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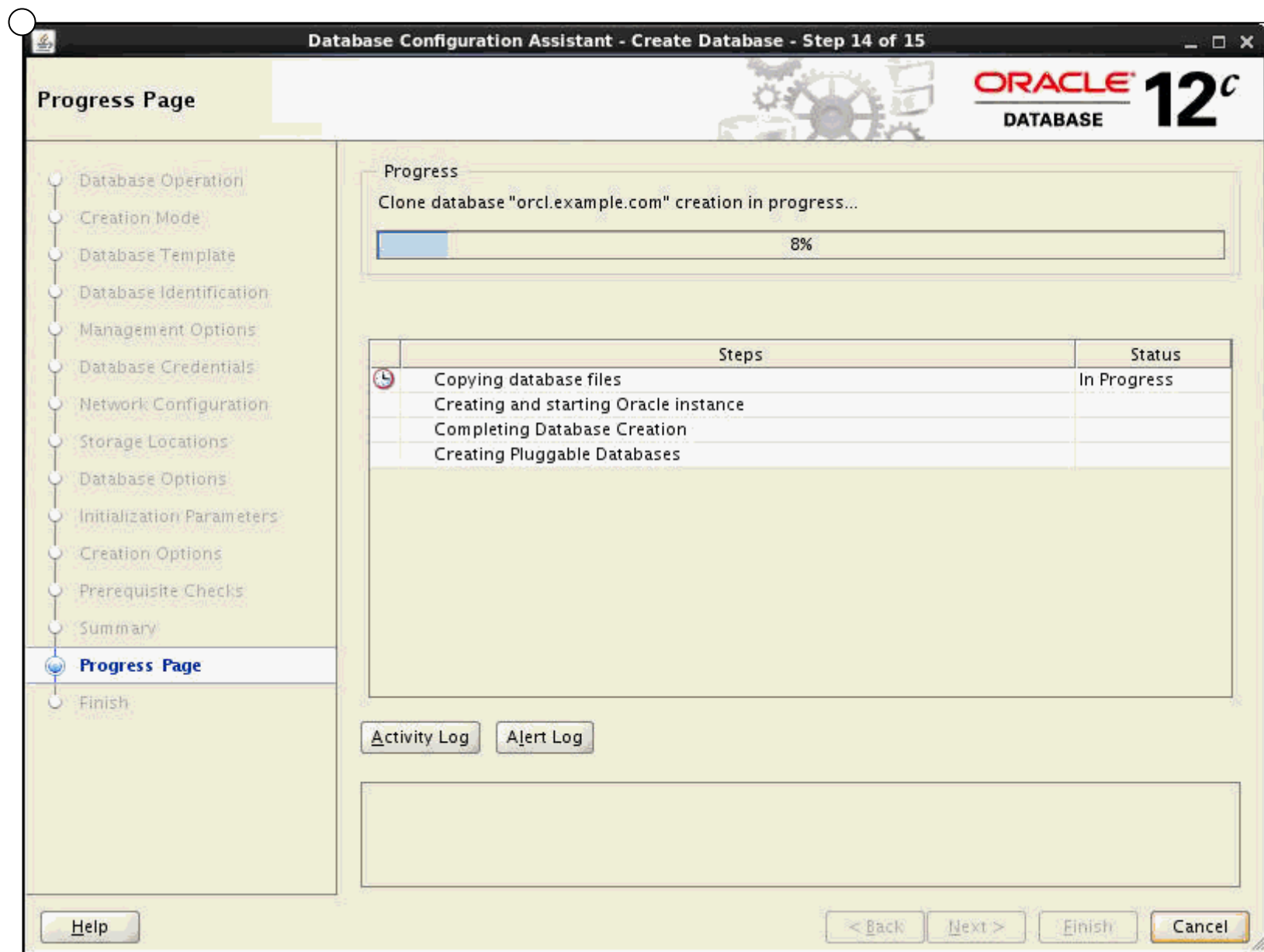
☐ **Generate Database Creation Scripts**

Destination Directory:

18. The Summary window appears. Review the configuration summary information. Click **Finish**.



19. The Progress Page window appears.



20. The Database Configuration Assistant window appears indicating the database has been created. Select Password Management to unlock the user accounts or perform this task at a later time. Click **Close**.

